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MS: PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Prior Application: K. YAHAGI et al  
Serial No. 10/200,162  
Filed: July 23, 2002

Group Art Unit: 2876  
Examiner: D. Walsh  
For: IMAGE INPUT SYSTEM

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

MS: Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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April 14, 2004

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 10/200,162, filed on July 23, 2002, entitled IMAGE INPUT SYSTEM, by all of the inventors named in the prior application.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed.

2. The Filing Fee is calculated below:

**CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION**  
**LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**  
**PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Basic Fee									\$ 770.00
Total Claims	1	-	20	=	0	x	18	=	0.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	0	x	86	=	0.00
Total Filing Fee									\$ 770.00

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3. A credit card payment form including the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

5. New drawings are enclosed, nine (9) sheets, Figs. 1-12.

6. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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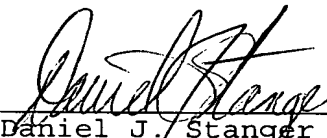
**Please associate this application with Customer No. 24956.**

7. The prior application is assigned to Renesas Technology Corp. and Hitachi Tohbu Semiconductor, Ltd.

8. The prior application is the National Phase application of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP97/03999, filed on November 4, 1997, which designated

the United States. The certified priority document has been filed in the prior application.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present continuation application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 10/200,162, as originally filed on July 23, 2002.

  
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